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## From the Desk of Mayor David Howell

Happy Spring! Many exciting things have been happening in Lakesite and I am pleased to provide an update on several initiatives.

The first step in completing capital projects begins with the passage of the annual budget. This is the document that guides our decision-making throughout the year. I am happy to report that we ended our 2016-2017 budget year in the positive. The 2017-2018 budget is coming along nicely and on track and our commission will soon begin working on the 2018-2019 budget. One large item that we have coming up is to repave our portion of Daisy Dallas road. We expect to begin this project sometime this spring.

We also continue to work on our Street Scape project on Hixson Pike. Lakesite won a grant from the state and the commission is currently looking at options to beautify the business area along Hixson Pike.

I would also like to welcome several new businesses to our city.

Welcome to **Lakesite Taco Bell** and **Snap Fitness**.

Spring is here and it is time for Lakesite's **12th Annual Cleanup Campaign**. Last year we had 2 cleanups. The first being in April, the second being in October. The haul figures were as follows:

2017 Cleanups	17-Apr	17-Oct
Hauls	23	21
Haul Cost/\$135 ton	\$3,105.00	\$2,835.00
Tonnage	45.03	42.3
Tonnage Cost	\$1,576.05	\$1,480.50
Mattress/Boxspring	\$460.00	\$0.00
<b>Totals 2017 Cleanup</b>	<b>\$5,141.05</b>	<b>\$4,315.50</b>
<b>Grand Total 2017</b>	<b>\$9,456.55</b>	

The dates for the spring cleanup will be April 2 through April 16. The dates for the fall cleanup will be September 28 through October 15.

All residents are encouraged to participate in this campaign to ensure the continuing beauty of our community. This a great time to clean garages, carports, crawlspaces, attics, and yards of debris, old appliances, junk items, weeds, and

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limbs. It's important that all citizens join forces and make it happen.

If you would like to have any additional information please feel free to attend our monthly commission meeting at City Hall. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Also, the agendas and minutes for these meetings can be found on our website at [www.lakesitetn.gov](http://www.lakesitetn.gov) and just click on **ClerkBase**.

### LAKESITE CITY COMMISSION:

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## LAKESITE STAFF

The telephone number for City Hall is 423-842-2533. Staff members are part time so please leave a message if we don't answer the phone.

**City Manager** – Dr. David Edwards

**City Recorder** – Jodi LaCroix, CMC

**Building, Zoning, Code Enforcement,** – Dan Maxwell

**Public Works, Utilities, Maintenance,** – David Tate

## LOCK IT UP!

Keep your valuables safe. Remove your valuables from your vehicle and **ALWAYS keep it locked!!**

## HOURS

City Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Friday 9:00 to Noon. Please visit our website at [www.lakesitetn.gov](http://www.lakesitetn.gov) for closings. You can also find us on FACEBOOK!



Just a reminder, we have a website with information for our residents. Go to [www.lakesitetn.gov](http://www.lakesitetn.gov). You can also find us on Facebook from our website homepage. We are also learning to use Twitter. You can follow us @lakesitetn.

An often overlooked group of people I've come across is our garbage men. They provide a huge service to us and often get overlooked. Thank you Waste Connection for all that you do and **THANK YOU Donna C.**

## POLICE-FIRE-EMS EMERGENCY - DIAL - 911

<b>Police Service</b>	622-0022 Hamilton County Sheriff
<b>Fire Service</b>	842-9370 – Dallas Bay Vol. Fire Department
<b>Ambulance Service</b>	209-6900 - Hamilton County EMS
<b>Animal Control</b>	624-5302 - Humane Educational Society
<b>Garbage Service</b>	476-2293 - Waste Connection Inc.
<b>Schools</b>	209-8400 - Hamilton County Dept. of Education
<b>Water Department</b>	877-3513 - Hixson Utility District
<b>Burning Permits</b>	643-5970 Air Pollution Control Board <b>No burning May through September</b>
<b>Building Permits</b>	842-2533 - City Hall, Building Official's Office

The Lakesite Pool is **PRIVATE** and by membership only through the Lakesite Recreation Club. Information is included in this newsletter.

**PLEASE DO NOT CALL CITY HALL FOR POLICE OR MEDICAL MATTERS.**

**FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE:** Find us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter, Watch our Website and Search our records on ClerkBase!

for all the help you give us every year. You truly are the Goddess of Garbage ☺ and very much appreciated by the staff.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

<b>April 2-16</b>	Spring Clean-Up
<b>April 21-22</b>	Community Yard Sale
<b>April 28</b>	Rabies Clinic 4:00-6:00
<b>June 9</b>	Fishing Derby
<b>July 4</b>	BBQ and Fireworks
<b>Sept 15</b>	Community Yard Sale
<b>Sept 28-Oct 15</b>	Fall Clean Up
<b>Oct 27</b>	Trunk or Treat
<b>Nov 24</b>	Lakesite's 2nd Annual Tree Lighting

## PET INFORMATION

The City contracts with the Humane Educational Society (HES) for our animal control needs. If you have a problem with a dog or cat in the area, please call HES at 423-624-5302.

The **Rabies Clinic** will be held on April 28, 2018 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Lakesite Park Pavilion. The cost of the rabies vaccination is **\$12.00 cash only. Correct change is also requested.** HES also holds a

clinic the last Saturday of each month.

It is the **law** that all dogs and cats be **licensed annually with HES**. Why? If your animal is licensed (**different from a rabies vaccination**) with HES and he is picked up by an officer or kind citizen, HES can quickly identify your pet and contact you so you may redeem him or her. A pet license also signifies that your pet is **current on rabies vaccinations**. Visit <https://www.heschatt.org/program-s-services/licenses/> for more information and to be compliant with the laws. The licensing fee is \$5.00 for spayed or neutered pets, \$10 for those that are not. Your pet **must have a current rabies vaccination**. To license your pet, simply bring the rabies certificate issued by the vet with you to HES along with the fee during normal hours or you may **do it by mail** by mailing a copy of the certificate, the licensing fee and a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to HES at 212 North Highland Park Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37404.

HES strives to be a good steward of the funds received from licensing fees. Funds received after expenses provide care for lost and homeless animals until they find their forever homes.

HES is committed to end euthanasia of trainable, adoptable and treatable animals. Together we can make a difference for homeless animals. HES is a 501(C) (3) organization and all donations made are tax deductible. HES has arranged several ways in which donations may be made and different options are available. Call HES if you have questions. Through donations from the community, they are able to achieve a quality shelter and any donations to provide more benefits

to our animals. Please consider giving a gift of love that is so important in the lives of our pets. Visit their website at [www.heschatt.com](http://www.heschatt.com) for more information or visit them on Facebook.

HES is located at 212 North Highland Park Avenue, Chattanooga. Their telephone number is 423-624-5302.



Feral cats are wild cats, not a neighbor's cat or a stray who has been recently abandoned or lost but one that has had no human socialization. If you have a feral cat problem, please call HES.

#### ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

The City has an ordinance, Title 10, Chapters 1 and 2, regarding our four legged family members which includes:

1. Cats and dogs are to have rabies vaccinations **and** be licensed. (10-201)
2. Pets should not run at large (off your property). (10-203)
3. Vicious dogs must be secured. (10-204)
4. Noisy dogs are prohibited and can't disturb your neighbor's peace. (10-205)
5. Suspected rabid pets are seized and confined. (10-207)
6. Violations and penalties are applied.

#### COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Every year members of the community get together and hold community wide yard sales. **Anyone can hold a yard sale at any time they choose** but the community looks to City Hall to choose dates for their community yard sales. The dates for 2018 shall be the weekend of April 14 and the weekend of September 15. Remember **this is NOT a municipal function**, the City does not advertise this so if you want people to come, remember to advertise and put your signs out.

#### SUMMER BBQ AND FIREWORKS

Join us for our summer BBQ and fireworks display on Wednesday, July 4th. Plan for a great time at the park. The City will provide the BBQ, rolls, drinks, and eating utensils for dinner at 6:00 pm. Please bring a covered dish to share. When it gets dark, we will have the fireworks display at the park.

#### LAKESITE POOL INFORMATION:

The Lakesite Pool **is not** affiliated with the City of Lakesite – it is a private entity. Questions should be directed to Sam Dallas at 423-475-0075. Application attached

The Pool will open May 28th, Memorial Day weekend. A membership is required to use the pool. The pool is funded by these pool memberships. The pool operates on a nonprofit basis and relies solely on volunteer efforts and the cooperation of its members.

The pool will operate through Labor Day weekend. Actual operating hours may vary after schools return to session in August.

#### CLEAN UP TIME!!

The cleanup campaign will be held twice: **April 2 through April 16 and September 28 through October 15, 2018**. Dumpsters will be stationed



behind the Lakesite City Hall. Please dispose of approved items only and place them in the proper receptacles. These dumpsters are to be used by LAKESITE RESIDENTS ONLY and not to be used by construction and/or landscape companies. The following items are **NOT ALLOWED** to be discarded in any dumpsters during the clean up: **Tires, Batteries, Used Oil, Wet Paint & Fluorescent Light Bulbs.** Please don't over dump or leave your debris on the ground for Dave to clean up or sneak paint in and leave it.

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### TRASH PICK UPS

The City contract with Waste Connection Inc. is for the pick-up of **one (1) trash can twice a week:** Mondays and Thursdays unless you make other arrangements with Waste Connection at your own cost. **Paint and oil cannot be disposed of.**

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### BULK AND YARD WASTE

Bulk and yard waste items are picked up on alternate Thursdays by our contracted hauler. The calendar in this newsletter shows you which day is bulk or yard waste day. Building materials resulting from construction, remodeling, repair or demolition operations, dead animals, hazardous waste ARE NOT included in this. Rebar is not allowed. **PLEASE KEEP THE CALENDAR!**

### WHAT IS A BULK ITEM?

This includes stoves, hot water heaters, washing machines, furniture, refrigerators and air conditioners with a certification stating all coolants have been removed by a certified professional, and any other similar items. The maximum pickup will be three (3) items.

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### YARD WASTE

All yard waste consisting of limbs and branches having a diameter not

greater than four (4) inches shall be tied in bundles. The waste hauler shall not be obligated to collect branches or limbs having a diameter greater than four (4) inches or a length greater than four (4) feet. All yard waste consisting of grass cuttings and leaves shall be placed in bags and tied. The waste hauler shall not be obligated to collect any yard waste not prepared for collection in the foregoing manner: bundles shall not exceed thirty-five (35) pounds per bundle; bagged leaves and grass shall not exceed thirty-five (35) pounds per bag. The maximum pick up will be (8) items per week per home.

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### RECYCLING

Call one of the following locations for directions, hours and instructions on what can be recycled:

HWY 58 Recycling Center: 5414 Hwy 58 (corner of Hwy 58 and Hickory Valley Rd) 423-326-0992

Middle Valley Recycling Center: 1868 Crabtree Rd., Hixson. 423-843-9317

Standifer Gap Recycling Center: 7625 Standifer Gap Rd, Chattanooga. 423-855-6125

Sequoyah Recycling Center: 9525 Lovell Rd, Soddy Daisy. 423-842-2391

Hamilton County Tire: 7625 Standifer Gap Rd, Chattanooga. 423-855-6100, ext. 241. 10 tires maximum

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### HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility, located at 3925 North Hawthorne St., Chattanooga allows City and County residents to dispose of common hazardous

materials generated within their residence the second Saturday of every month. Trained staff are on site and ready to unload all acceptable household hazardous materials. All of the items collected are properly managed to be either reused, recycled or disposed of in compliance with all Federal, State and local laws.

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### HAZARDOUS WASTE ACCEPTED

(At the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility, located at 3925 North Hawthorne St., Chattanooga)

Adhesives  
Air conditioning refrigerants  
Carburetor cleaners  
Compact fluorescent tubes  
Computers  
Drain openers  
Dry cell batteries  
Fire extinguishers  
Fungicides  
Grease and rust solvents  
Herbicides and insecticides  
Motor oil and vehicle fluids  
Oil based paint  
Oven cleaners  
Paint remover/thinner  
Pesticides  
Propane tanks/bottles  
Small electronics  
Smoke detectors  
Starter fluids  
Thermostats  
Wet cell batteries  
Wood and metal cleaners  
Wood preservatives

### WASTE NOT ACCEPTED

Ammunition and explosives  
Biological waste  
Commercial hazardous waste  
Latex paint  
Medical waste  
Radioactive waste  
Unidentifiable waste

## CITY WORK ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

The city is sometimes asked to perform work or service on private property. For example, a homeowner may be experiencing drainage problems in their yard or their driveway and may be in need of repair. In general, the city is prohibited by state law from using public resources for private purposes. In addition, fairness to all city taxpayers dictates that public resources be used only for public purposes.

Does that mean you will never see the city performing work on your neighbor's property? No, since there are some circumstances where it is appropriate for the city to carry out a project on private property. For example, if the city causes a problem for a homeowner as a consequence of road or drainage maintenance, then we will work to resolve it.

Occasionally, a vacant or abandoned lot becomes overgrown, creating a potential public health hazard. In such cases, if the owner cannot be located, the city, as a last resort, will mow and place a lien on the property to recover costs. Public safety also means that the city may occasionally remove a dangerous tree that is overhanging the road or right of way.

A final reason that the city may conduct work on private property is when it is incidental to completing a task on public property. The best example here occurs when a public road meets a private road. Paving may require a slight overlap where equipment turns around or to make the transition between pavements safe and effective. Naturally, such incidental work goes no further than necessary to complete the task.

These are the primary circumstances where a city employee or contractor might work on private property. There may be other extremely rare situations where it is justified, but please be assured that we consider these questions carefully.

## CULVERT AND DITCH MAINTENANCE

The City took the Culvert Maintenance Policy, adopted in 2003, and made it into an ordinance, adopted 2016:

Section 1. 16-106.

(a) Obstruction of drainage ditches. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit or cause the obstruction of any drainage ditch in any public right of way.

(b) Property owners to maintain adjacent ditches. Property owners are required to keep culverts and/or drainage ditches adjacent to their property sufficiently clear to allow the free flow of water.

(c) In the event a property owner fails to maintain the culvert and/or drainage ditch as required in subsection (b):

1. The City Engineer and/or Maintenance and Utilities Department shall notify the property owner that the culvert and/or drainage ditch adjacent to the subject property is in need of specific maintenance.

2. Specific maintenance will be defined in writing to the property owner.

3. Property owner shall have thirty (30) days to comply with the required maintenance unless upon request to the City of Lakesite, with good cause shown that the thirty (30) day period creates an undue hardship.

4. The City of Lakesite may grant an extension of an additional thirty (30) days in writing.

5. The property owner shall present additional requests for extension to the City Commissioners.

6. The City Commissioners with the advice of the City Engineer and/or the

Maintenance and Utilities Department shall make a determination to grant or deny additional time.

7. Failure of property owner to perform maintenance of the said culvert and/or drainage ditch within the allotted time or extended time period shall subject the property owner to the following:

- a. The City of Lakesite shall cause appropriate maintenance to be implemented by a private contractor with work to be performed in compliance with the City Engineer or Maintenance and Utilities Department directive.

- b. The City shall bill the property owner via Certified Mail, the contractor cost of performing said maintenance with payment to the City within thirty (30) days of certified mailing. Failure to pay said billing or failure to work out a pay plan to the satisfaction of the City shall cause the City to file a lien against the subject property.

## DID YOU KNOW.....?

That our City Manager, Dr. David Edwards has been here since 1992? That's 26 years! A great achievement for our little community. Dr. Edwards recently retired from UTC and he is in charge of the best fiscally run municipality (in our humble opinion) in the State of Tennessee!

That our City Recorder has worked in the municipal field since 1981? That's a total of 37 years! She completed her educational training as a municipal clerk from the New England City and Town Clerk's Association at Salve Regina University, Newport, RI and is a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks, as well as several other Town and City Clerk organizations and historical societies.

That our Utilities and Maintenance guru, Dave Tate originally hails from Wyoming? He has been with Lakesite for 20 years and worked for UTC before coming here. Want to see him glow? Ask about his granddaughter and a little birdie told us he has another grandchild on the way.

That our Building – Zoning and Code Official, Dan Maxwell, grew up here in Lakesite. He is the son of Don and Kathy Maxwell (yes, they still live here) and Dan is a full time paramedic with the Hamilton County EMS.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **When is City Hall open?** We're open typically Mon-Thurs 9:00am-2:00 and Fridays 9:00am – noon. There are times when we are closed due to weather, or if the staff must attend a training seminar or simply out sick. We strive to do the best we can at all hours but there are times when we are just not available. Leave at message on the phone 423-842-2533 or e-mail us. Our e-mail addresses can be found on our website at [www.lakesitetn.gov](http://www.lakesitetn.gov).
2. **How do I get my trash picked up?** Trash is picked up on Mondays and Thursdays by our contracted hauler, Waste Connection Inc. Leave your bagged trash out in the can at the curb and the hauler will pick it up. If your can is broken, just call the office at 423-842-2533 or e-mail [jplacroix@lakesitetn.gov](mailto:jplacroix@lakesitetn.gov) and we will put you on the list for a new can. Dave Tate usually changes out cans once per week, after the Thursday pickup. Make sure the old can has no trash in it and it is at the curb so Dave can do the switch out.
3. **Who do I call if my neighbor's tree falls on my fence/in my yard?** It is a civil matter. If you and your neighbor can't come to terms, call an attorney.
4. **My neighbor has an object blocking/partially blocking the roadway.** That is a traffic problem. If you have asked your neighbor to move the object and he/she has not done so, call the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office at 423-622-0022.
5. **Dirt bikes are going up and down my street, upsetting the kids and making the dogs go crazy.** If you have asked that they stop (or in the case of a minor) spoken with the parents, and nothing has been done, call the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office at 423-622-0022. **Driving any off road vehicle or unregistered vehicle on city roads is against the law. This includes golf carts.**
6. **My neighbor's grass is so high that rodents are showing up in my yard or there are junk vehicles and trash in their yard.** Call the Code Officer, Dan Maxwell at 423-842-2533.
7. **I think something is wrong at my neighbor's house. DO NOT CALL CITY HALL! CALL 911 OR THE DISPATCHER AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE – 423-622-0022.** This is a police matter, not a municipal one. The police can conduct a welfare check.
8. **What do I do about a dead animal in the road?** We do not have the facilities to dispose of any dead animals. We suggest you push it off the roadway into the woods.
9. **My neighbor's dog continuously barks at all hours, what do I do?** Call our Animal Control Officers – HES at 423-624-5302.
10. **There are dogs running loose in the neighborhood, what can be done about this?** This is an animal control issue. We contract with the Humane Educational Society for our Animal Control needs. All dogs are supposed to be under the control of their owners. They are supposed to be licensed with HES and vaccinated against rabies. If you are having a problem with a dog you should call HES and report it. City Hall has no listing of dogs licensed and can't identify any specific dog. We do not have a listing of dogs that have received rabies vaccinations either.
11. **My neighbor's cat is coming into my yard all the time and digging up my garden and making messes.** As stated above, this is an Animal Control Issue. Cats are roamers and if your neighbor lets their cat outside it will roam. Call HES and they may be able to set a trap out to catch the cat in question.
12. **Where is the Lakesite Directory?** We don't publish a directory anymore as people do not notify us of any changes, moves, updates etc. Perhaps a group of residents would like to undertake this task?

13. **Where can I get a copy of my deed?**

Here in TN, deeds are kept at the Hamilton County Registrar of Deeds office, 400 Courthouse, 625 Georgia Ave., Chattanooga.

Phone: (423) 209-6560

Hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-5pm

14. **Where do I pay my City Taxes?**

Taxes are paid at the Hamilton County Trustees Office, 210 Courthouse, 625 Georgia Ave., Chattanooga.

Phone: (423) 209-7270

Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00am-4:00pm

15. **Where do I find out about Elections or Voting?**

Go to the Hamilton County Election Commission.

<http://elect.hamiltontn.gov/>

700 River Terminal Road

423-493-5100

16. **How can I view city or county maps?**

Hamilton County GIS.

<http://gis.hamiltontn.gov/>

This link will take you right to the website where you can view all maps for the county.

17. **Where do I get a Hunting and Fishing License?**

The County website:

<http://www.tn.gov/twra/section/license-sales>

18. **Want to read our State Laws?**

Here is the link to the Tennessee Code Annotated.

<http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/tncode/>

19. **How much of my tax bill is County and how much is Lakesite?**

Approximately 7% of the tax bill you receive is for Lakesite and 93% is for County taxes.

How about you high school kids going and interviewing some of our older residents? Would make a **great Eagle Scout project!**

**Any old photos of the community "as it was then"? We'd love to copy them.**

**The history of our community is as important as our future.**

**Do you have any photos you would like to share on the website? E-mail them to us at [jplacroix@lakesitetn.gov](mailto:jplacroix@lakesitetn.gov)**

Does anyone know the **history of Lakesite?**

Would you be interested in writing it down? If so, give us a call!

We'd love to have the history of our community in writing from some of our

long time residents. We're sure your memories would fascinate those moving in.



**Dallas Bay Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.**

**P.O. Box 577**

**Hixson, TN 37343-0577**

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**EMERGENCY 911**

Dear Lakesite Neighbors:

Thank you for your continued support of the Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department (DBVFD). Information and an update on Department activities for 2017 follow.

Lakesite Residents: Please be aware of the fire, emergency, and medical first responder services that are provided to you are **provided by the City of Lakesite**. The **City makes the annual \$70 payment for each of its homes and businesses**. No additional contributions from you are necessary. **However**, if you would like to make an additional tax deductible donation of any size, please send to:

Dallas Bay Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue, Inc.

P. O. Box 577

Hixson, TN 37343-0577

Your support of the Department continues to be tax-deductible because the Department is a 501(c) (3) Corporation under



Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Fire insurance premiums for our area homes and businesses would double if your Department was not available.

In comparison to our annual subscription request of \$70, two comparably sized Hamilton County Volunteer Fire Departments have residential fees of \$100 and \$125 per year.

Your tax deductible payment is used for:

*Capital expenditures for property and equipment; operational expenditures for maintenance and fuel.*

*Utilities and supplies for the three fire stations and emergency medical supplies.*

*Equipment and personal protective gear for fire fighters and rescue personnel. It costs almost \$8,000 to completely outfit a firefighter.*

*Insurance for vehicles, stations, personnel and equipment.*

*Training and community fire prevention education.*

Your support is extremely important. There is no fire tax in Hamilton County---**property taxes do not cover fire protection or other DBVFD services.** Approximately 85% of our funding comes from responses to mail solicitations. We do not solicit by phone or door-to-door. Dallas Bay is the only provider of fire protection and medical first responder service in our assigned Hamilton County Fire District. **We could not continue to serve without your financial help.**

Following an inspection by the Insurance Services Office (ISO), Dallas Bay has been awarded a Public Protection Classification **Class 02**. DBVFD is the **ONLY** volunteer fire department with an ISO 2 rating in the State of TN. This reduction of the rating offers significant savings to commercial business insurance rates. A copy of the letter may be obtained for your insurance company at City Hall for your insurance company.

### **CHECK WITH YOUR INSURANCE AGENT**

- Dallas Bay has ordered an additional Class 1 Pumper from Darley Corporation for use in the district. Engine 1345 will add additional CAFS capacity for fire suppression in the district. Engine 1345 is under construction now and should be delivered in late 2018.
- Ladder 3 was placed into service into service in January 2018 for additional fire suppression capacity in larger structures. An American LaFrance 75-foot aerial will allow Dallas Bay to more effectively suppress fire in taller structures and in high density residential areas.
- Dallas Bay is in the process of becoming ALS in relation to emergency medical responses. This designation will allow Dallas Bay to provide a greater degree of medical care to those needing care in the district.
- The Department has over 50 trained fire and medical volunteers on call at all times that respond to emergencies from three stations located in the District. Please call 423-842-9370 if you are interested in volunteering.

### **DBVFD and Your Community – Some Key Facts**

- The Department was chartered by the State of Tennessee in 1975.
- The Department serves about 30,000 people and over 9,400 homes, businesses, churches and schools in a 30 square mile service territory in the areas of Lakesite, Hixson, Soddy-Daisy, Falling Water, Dallas Bay, and Middle Valley - including the Hidden Harbor, Stonewall Farms, Shoreline, River's Edge and Canyons residential areas.

### **Applications from High School Seniors are Welcome!**

- Members use their own vehicles at their expense to respond to the stations, answer calls and participate in training and other activities such as station and vehicle/equipment maintenance. Except for the Chief, all personnel continue to be un-paid volunteers and receive no compensation other than our routine expense allowances.

### **REMINDERS:**

- **SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!** If you can't afford a detector, contact the Department to provide or install a detector.
- Consider adding one or more portable fire extinguishers to your home. They are effective for fires in kitchens and laundry rooms. Also remember to check dryer vents for hazardous lint buildup.



- Be sure to check carbon monoxide alarms for proper functioning, and avoid the use of battery chargers in confined spaces.
- **Burning outdoors is prohibited from May 1 through September 30.** In season contact the Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau at 643-5970 or visit [www.apcb.org](http://www.apcb.org) for permit and guideline information.

In 2017 almost 6,917 volunteer man hours responded to 1,933 emergency calls. 69% were first responder medical services.

Average response time for all calls was approximately 4 ½ minutes.

Over 5,800 man hours of firefighter training were completed at the weekly training sessions. Four members are currently enrolled in the H.C. Fire School.

Four members successfully completed HC Medical First Responder course and are awaiting State Certification testing.

The Swift Water Rescue Team were deployed to Texas to assist with victims of Hurricane Harvey.

**\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\***

- Ensure your address is clearly visible at your home on **both sides of your mailbox**, and at your driveway entrance if your mailbox is located across the street. **If DBVFD or EMS can't locate you, your home or your life may be at stake.**

We are very proud of the trust you've placed in us and the accomplishments your funding has supported. Please help us to continue to serve the community with your financial participation –

and encourage your neighbors to support the Department as well.

**With appreciation for your trust and continued support,**

Mitch McClure, Chairman of the Board

Markus Fritts, Chief of the Department



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**EMERGENCY 911**



## WE INVITE YOU TO COME AND ENJOY THE FUN AT THE LAKESITE POOL.

### 2018 Pool Hours:

	Sunday	2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday –Thursday	11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
Friday	11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.	
Saturday	11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	

- The Pool will open Memorial Day weekend, Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The Pool will operate through Labor Day weekend.
- Actual operating hours may vary after schools return to session in August.
- The Pool is available to members for private parties on Mondays and after regular operating hours.

**A Membership is required to swim.** Please complete the application form and submit with payment in full at the pool on opening day or at your earliest convenience.

### **VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

**INDIVIDUALS ARE NEEDED** TO HELP ALL ASPECTS OF POOL OPERATIONS INCLUDING, MANAGING THE LIFEGUARDS, SCHEDULING PRIVATE POOL PARTIES, MAINTAINING POOL SUPPLIES, COORDINATING 4TH OF JULY POOL GAMES, ASSISTING WITH POOL MAINTENANCE, AND AS ALWAYS, HELPING TO PREPARE THE POOL FOR OPENING DAY.

**CLEANUP DAYS ARE SCHEDULED FOR MAY: 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26.**

THE POOL OPERATES ON A NONPROFIT BASIS AND **RELIES SOLEY ON VOLUNTEER EFFORTS** AND THE COOPERATION OF ITS MEMBERS. THE POOL IS FUNDED BY POOL MEMBERSHIPS.

**THE LAKESITE POOL IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE CITY OF LAKESITE OR PART OF THE MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS.**

**Questions regarding the pool can be directed to the following:**

**Sam Dallas at 423-475-0075**

**LAKESITE**



**RECREATION CLUB**

**APPLICATION FORM**

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF LAKESITE RESIDENT: YES ☐ NO ☐

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME OR CELL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPENDENTS:

NAMERELATIONSHIP**MEMBERSHIP COSTS: \$275.00**

- Submit application for membership and payment at the pool on opening day or with a lifeguard thereafter. Make checks payable to **LAKESITE RECREATION CLUB**.
- All memberships must be paid in full.
- Guest privileges are limited and are not to be used in lieu of a membership. Residents of the City of Lakesite are not allowed to swim at the pool as a guest of another Lakesite Recreation Club Member. Members are responsible for their guests including guest fee payments.

**I AM WILLING TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE RULES OF THE LAKESITE RECREATION CLUB.**

SIGNATURE AND DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



**Trash is picked up on Monday and Thursday (along with yard and bulk waste)**

**If trash pickup day is on a holiday, it will be done on the following day.**

**Changes to calendar will be posted on Facebook and [www.lakesitetn.gov](http://www.lakesitetn.gov)**

## LAKESITE PROPERTY TAXES

**Dr. David Edwards, City Manager**

Did you know that the amount of city property tax revenue collected from Lakesite residents and businesses has not increased significantly in about a quarter of a century? It's true. In real terms, the city will actually collect less property tax revenue in 2018 than it did in 1996. As the attached table shows, property tax revenue collections for that year were \$85,000. In constant dollars, that would be equivalent to nearly \$135,000 in 2018, \$25,000 more than actually budgeted.

Under Tennessee law, the county tax assessor's office reassesses property values once every four years. After the reassessment is completed, the assessor provides the city with a certified tax rate—the rate necessary to generate the same amount of revenue as the old rate. If a city does not adopt the certified property tax rate, revenue automatically increases based on higher assessed values. In effect, failure to adopt the certified rate amounts to a property tax increase.

The table shows that the city has adopted the certified rate after each reassessment since at least 1992. Collections have nominally increased in response to new construction and property improvements, not because of any increase in the tax rate. The table also shows that total collections doubled in 1996-1997 in comparison to the previous fiscal year, a jump completely attributable to a 1995 annexation.

While the city has worked to avoid increasing rates over the years, it is not the only entity that imposes a property tax. The county also collects property taxes to fund schools, health programs, jails, and other county-level services. That means that your total tax bill may have gone up, even though the city portion has remained constant or even decreased in real dollars. **For residents of Lakesite, about 93% of your total property tax bill goes the County. The City collects the remaining 7% to fund trash collection, public safety, road maintenance, and other city services.**

A table of your Lakesite Property Taxes from FY1972 to 2018 is on the next page.

Fiscal Year	Tax Rate	Lakesite Tax	Fiscal Year	Tax Rate	Lakesite Tax
1972-1973	\$0.75/100	Not Available	1996-1997	\$0.56/100	\$85,000
1973-1974	\$0.75/100	Not Available	1997-1998	\$0.399/100	\$80,000
1974-1975	\$0.75/100	Not Available	1998-1999	\$0.399/100	\$92,788
1975-1976	\$0.75/100	Not Available	1999-2000	\$0.399/100	\$94,511
1976-1977	\$0.75/100	Not Available	2000-2001	\$0.399/100	\$94,000
1977-1978	\$0.75/100	Not Available	2001-2002	\$0.339/100	\$100,799
1978-1979	\$0.75/100	Not Available	2002-2003	\$0.339/100	\$96,000
1979-1980	\$0.75/100	Not Available	2003-2004	\$0.339/100	\$102,000
1980-1981	\$0.43/100	Not Available	2004-2005	\$0.339/100	\$110,000
1981-1982	\$0.43/100	Not Available	2005-2006	\$0.29/100	\$110,000
1982-1983	\$0.43/100	Not Available	2006-2007	\$0.29/100	\$108,000
1983-1984	\$0.43/100	Not Available	2007-2008	\$0.29/100	\$105,000
1984-1985	\$0.50/100	Not Available	2008-2009	\$0.29/100	\$105,000
1985-1986	\$0.50/100	Not Available	2009-2010	\$0.24/100	\$105,000
1986-1987	\$0.50/100	\$18,181	2010-2011	\$0.24/100	\$109,000
1987-1988	\$0.50/100	\$17,000	2011-2012	\$0.24/100	\$109,000
1988-1989	\$0.50/100	\$17,500	2012-2013	\$0.24/100	\$109,000
1989-1990	\$0.50/100	\$19,000	2013-2014	\$0.235/100	\$109,000
1990-1991	\$0.60/100	\$20,000	2014-2015	\$0.235/100	\$109,000
1991-1992	\$0.60/100	\$36,000	2015-2016	\$0.235/100	\$104,500
1992-1993	\$0.60/100	\$34,802	2016-2017	\$0.235/100	\$108,000
1993-1994	\$0.56/100	\$35,400	2017-2018	\$0.215/100	\$110,000
1994-1995	\$0.56/100	\$40,000	2018-2019		
1995-1996	\$0.56/100	\$42,500	2019-2020		



Have you wondered which generation you fall in to?

## The Generations

### Which Generation are You?

By [Michael T. Robinson](#)  
 Founder and Career Coach  
 CareerPlanner.com

These are Western Cultural Generations. Japan and Asia and portions of Europe will have their own generational definitions based on major cultural, political, and economic influences.

Generation Name	Births Start	Births End	Youngest Age Today*	Oldest Age Today*	(*if still alive today)
The Lost Generation - The Generation of 1914	1890	1915	103	128	
The Interbellum Generation	1901	1913	105	117	
The Greatest Generation	1910	1924	94	108	
The Silent Generation	1925	1945	73	93	
Baby Boomer Generation	1946	1964	54	72	
Generation X (Baby Bust)	1965	1979	39	53	
Xennials -	1975	1985	33	43	
Generation Y - The Millennials - Gen Next	1980	1994	24	38	
iGen / Gen Z	1995	2012	6	23	
Gen Alpha	2013	2025	1	5	

Note: Dates are approximate and there is some overlap because there are no standard definitions for when a generation begins and ends. See the section below about why this overlap.

### What Generation Are You If You Are On The Cusp?

If your birth date falls on the border between two generations, which one do you pick?

Pick the generation that you relate to the most, and the one you want to be part of.

Why so arbitrary? This is not a precise science with firm definitions.

After reading the full article, we know we are all Baby Boomers here at City Hall. We read about the Generation Y or Millennials and quite frankly it was a bit disturbing because they are the ME ME ME generation that does not understand they need to work for what they want and really don't have a clear understanding of quite a few things. **There is hope though** for iGen/Gen Z and Gen Alpha according to the article we read.

# Lakesite Messenger

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